

Minutes of the Troy Township Board Meeting
Monday, August 15, 2016
7:00 p.m.

Meeting of the Troy Township Board of Trustees held at the Troy Township Community Center, 25448 Seil Road, Shorewood, Illinois.

Supervisor Joseph D. Baltz called the meeting to order.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Collector Bryan Kopman.

Roll call:

Present were:	Supervisor Joseph D. Baltz	Trustee John Theobald
	Trustee Donald Walden	Trustee Brett Wheeler
	Highway Commissioner Tom Ward	Clerk Kristin Dawn Cross
	Collector Bryan Kopman	Assessor Kimberly Anderson

Absent were:	Trustee Larry Ryan - EA	EA – Excused Absence; L – Late Arrival
	Clerk Kristin Dawn Cross - EA	A – Absent

Also in Attendance: Administrator Jennifer Dylik acting as Deputy Clerk at the written request of Clerk Kristin Dawn Cross.

Quorum is established.

Supervisor Baltz opened the meeting for citizen comment.

After asking three times for citizen comments, Supervisor Baltz closed the meeting for citizen comment.

Motion made by Trustee Wheeler; seconded by Trustee Theobald to accept the **MINUTES** of the July 18, 2016, **Regular Board Meeting**. Motion carried.

The **TREASURER'S REPORT** was acknowledged by Supervisor Baltz and placed on file.

CORRESPONDENCE

Supervisor Joseph D. Baltz reviewed the following correspondence with the Board:

- Thank you letter from Representative Mark Batinick for Troy Highway Department's participation in his Kids Fair.
- Thank you letter from the Village of Coal City for Troy Highway Department's assistance after the 2015 tornado.
- Clarke Mosquito Report
- Illinois Municipal Review

GADGET GURUS REPORT: – Administrator Dylik reported that the Gadget Gurus have partnered with the Village of Shorewood, the Shorewood-Troy Public Library, and Casanova Information Systems to share program ideas and broaden the teaching base. The next Gadget Gurus class will be held on September, 27th and they will talk about using Flickr. No new email or phone requests for assistance have been received.

REPORTS OF TRUSTEES / COMMITTEES:

TRUSTEE LARRY RYAN – Excused absence. No report.

TRUSTEE BRETT WHEELER – Trustee Wheeler reported that he participated in the Crossroads Festival Parade.

TRUSTEE JOHN THEOBALD – No report.

TRUSTEE DONALD WALDEN – Trustee Walden reported that the statue of Abraham Lincoln dedication ceremony has been moved to September 10th. There have been no claims at the VAC for assistance by a Troy Township resident.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT REPORT: Supervisor Baltz thanked Highway Commissioner Ward for his efforts making the entry in the Crossroads Festival Parade a success. The float put together for the Highway Department's staff, family and friends won an award at the parade held on Sunday, August 7th. Highway Commissioner Ward reported that crews have finished crack sealing and have been very busy with branch pick up due to the recent storms.

ASSESSOR'S REPORT: Assessor Anderson reported that it has been a busy month for her office. Reassessment notices were sent out on July 29th and were published in the newspaper on August 3rd. To date staff has accepted 45 pieces of evidence for review and have had approximately 70 taxpayers in. The deadline to file with the board of review is September 6th. Evening hours began Thursday, August 11th and will continue every Thursday thru September 1st.

Assessor Anderson and staff have attended 2 meetings regarding the new board of review rules. In summary, all appeals are to be done electronically. The county has set up an email portal for all townships to receive and send their evidence. All township evidence must be returned to the county via the portal 8 days prior to any hearing as the appellants must receive our evidence 5 days prior to hearing. If a deadline is missed, it is an automatic loss of appeal. No new evidence may be added once the evidence has been sent in. Taxpayers may still mail in their evidence or bring it down to the county and they will scan it into the portal for them. Taxpayers may also email their evidence in. The specific rules are available at the township offices or they are available on line at the Supervisor's website. Everyone is hoping for smooth transition but the county has warned that there may be some hiccups.

Assessor Anderson will be in school in East Peoria beginning Wednesday August 17th. She will return to the office on Friday, August 19th. Further, Assessor Anderson will not be at the September board meeting as she will be attending class in St. Charles. Since this is the year prior to election, assessors must have 2 classes as the certification cycle does not line up with the election cycle.

If there are any questions during her absence, please contact Assessor Anderson's staff for assistance.

TOWNSHIP COLLECTOR'S REPORT: No report.

TOWNSHIP CLERK REPORT: Excused absence. No report.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT: Supervisor Baltz deferred to Administrator Dylik.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT: Administrator Dylik reported that the home at 800 Magnolia Dr. in Joliet has been torn down. Will County applied for and were approved CDBG funds for the demolition. Now that the home is torn down, the hope is that one of the purchasers of the back taxes will take ownership of the property via a tax deed.

Articles for the fall edition of the Troy Township Communicator were due by last Friday. The editing process has begun and everything will be sent to the printer for design/layout around Friday, August 19th.

Shane Kelly started with the Township on July 25th as the Building Maintenance Coordinator. Shane comes to the Township with prior experience doing similar work for the Plainfield Park District. Please welcome Shane to the team.

The offices, Highway Department, and Community Center will be closed on Monday, September 5th for the Labor Day Holiday.

OLD BUSINESS:

Supervisor Baltz asked twice for any old business. No old business.

NEW BUSINESS:

Supervisor Baltz asked twice for any new business. No new business presented.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

Motion made by Trustee Theobald; seconded by Trustee Walden to accept the **TOWN FUND & ASSESSOR'S BILLS** for **August 15, 2016**, as presented. Motion carried.

Motion made by Trustee Walden; seconded by Trustee Wheeler to accept the **GENERAL ASSISTANCE BILLS** for **August 15, 2016**, as presented. Motion carried.

Motion made by Trustee Wheeler; seconded by Trustee Theobald to accept the **ROAD AND BRIDGE BILLS** for **August 15, 2016**, as presented. Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION

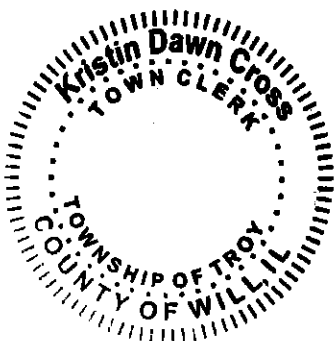
No items for closed session.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The next meeting of the Troy Township Board will be on Monday, September 17, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. The next shredding event is scheduled for Saturday, October 1, 2016 from 9:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion made by Trustee Theobald; seconded by Trustee Walden to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at approximately 7:18 p.m.



Respectfully submitted,

Kristin Dawn Cross, Clerk

Kristin Dawn Cross, Clerk by Jennifer Dyluk, Deputy Clerk

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Clerk*